SUNDAY, DECEMBER

25,

Cleveland this morning at his house to pre-

sent him with a cane. The church recently celebrated its golden jubilee, and in con-nection with that event a lady's fair for the benefit of the church was held, at which

there was a voting contest for a cane be-tween the adherents of President Harrison

and Mr. Cleveland, Mr. Cleveland re-ceived 1,989 votes and Mr. Harrison 1,569.

The cane is of ebony, with a carved gold bead. It was inclosed in a red plush case.

Senator Roesch made the presentation. He said he was obliged to confess that they

had violated the law in winning the cane for Mr. Cleveland, for they had voted early

and often. Mr. Cleveland replied that that was the only time he would excuse a vio-lation of the Australian ballot system. He then said: "Rev. Father Kessel and gen-

tiemen—I have accepted the cane as a mark of personal regard, and I desire to convey

to the clergy and people of the congrega-tion my assurance of the high esteem in which I hold their token." The three dele-gates then shook hands with Mr. Cleve-land, and the ceremony was over.

THE UTAH GOLD CRAZE.

ENCOURAGING REPORTS, BUT CAPI-

TALISTS A LITTLE TIMID.

Mining Company Has Located All the

Good Claims-Several Thousand Pros-

nature and several thousand prospectors are

said to have made the locations. In an in-

terview to-night Hon. William Gelder, who

has been visiting the Trinity river gold

placers in California, said he heard

about the new gold placers on the

San Juan, on his way out through Arizona

and about ten days ago sent a trustworthy

man to investigate them. This man saw two parties at Winslow, Ariz., who claimed

that they had seen the new field and pro

terested and their opinion was discounted

nounced them large, but they were both in-

H. P. Jewell arrived in Denver last

night, having spent several months in the Colorado river country. He says that extensive gold fields exist and he has

ocated some claims. Mine and smelter

owners are getting excited and are talking

of sending men out. Others, knowing that

send in goods to supply the crowds. A dispatch from Fisgstaff, Ariz., says George

Chornton, Fletcher Fairchild and William

Babbitt, all reliable men, have returned after about a month's sojourn in the San Juan valley and have furnished the first

trustworthy information from that district

The Arizona and Utah Mining Company and some others have located all the good

claims between the two canyons, extending from a point 20 miles east of the mouth o

the river to 40 miles up the river. About 400 claims are located. This is as far east

as locations can be made on both sides of the river, as the reservations thrown open

only extend from the 110th to the 111th

parallel of longitude east of the 110th par-

THE MAFIA SUSPECTED.

They Are the Enemies of a New Orlean

Citizen Whose House Was Burned.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24.-W. S. Parker.

on, assisted by insurance experts, made

horough investigation of the cause of the

fire which destroyed his residence a few

nights ago, and all were convinced that it

was the work of an incendiary. Twice

within the past 12 months has the residence

The act of the incendiary was doubtless

criminal, inasmuch as it nearly resulted in the loss of the lives of Mr. Parkerson and

his children. Mr. Parkerson's prominenc

in popular movements, more especially against the Mafia, raised up enemies against

THE GUIONS WILL QUIT.

ship Line Out of Business.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.-A. M. Underhill

agent of the Guion line of steamships, to-

day received a cablegram from the Secre-

tary of the Board of Directors in Liverpool

that they had leased their pier to the White

Star line. The rumor became current that

Agent Underhill did not care to expres

an opinion as to whether there is any reason

for the Guion lines ceasing to run their steamships. It is said that the proposed de-

crease of immigration has been the reason for the Board of Directors taking this

A 14-YEAR-OLD MUEDERER.

He Held a Grudge.

terday afternoon about 5 o'clock. Burrell

Gunse, a boy aged 14, stabbed Tom Eggle-

course.

Immigration Restrictions Force the Ste

of Mr. Parkerson been burned to the

allel, the reservation still extending to

Reliable Parties Sent to Investigate

pectors Out.

FRANCE DRAWS BREATH AGAIN,

Republic Probably Safe # for a Time, at Least.

ANDRIEUX IS PREPARED,

Which Deters the Ministry From Prosecuting Him Now.

Cabinets May Still Rise and Fall, but France Is Really Too Conservative in These Days to Risk a Monarchy-Enemies of the Republic Have Nothing Better to Offer-The Country's Shame Set to Music by Its Enemies-A Ministerial Measure Defeated by the Deputies-The Extent of the Scardal About Gauged-Ten of the Brightest Statesmen in the Land Unable to Clear Their Skir's.

IBY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH. PARIS, Dec. 24.-[Copyright.]-The full proportions of the Panama scandal seem at last to be known or suggested, and the Republic is intact. One of the greatest shames of the age has been added to French history, but the Government, though

slackened and defiled, still stands. The reason, to be sure, may be that there has been nothing else to which an outraged people could turn. The enemies of the Republic-and they are many-have army. n ade a mistake in waiting so long to offer a radical remedy for the national corruption. Unless they hold in reserve some great and unsuspected engine of political destruction, they will accomplish nothing against a republican form of government. The guilty, no matter who they may be, will be swept aside, and new men will take their places upon the same constitution which has governed France for the past 20 years.

Cabinets May Still Rise and Fall, I make no account of the fall of the Cabinets. Those are incidents which are of triffing consequence compared with the graver events which have portended during the past few days. Neither do I mean to say that the crisis and the danger are past. There are many ambitious and unscrupulous men who have waited for years for such a situation as now obtains, and it would be too much to expect them to allow the opportunity to slip by unimproved.

The safety lies in two facts: First, the existence of a greater conservatism than the French people are usually credited with; second, tha the political adventurers have

It at true, as I have said in previous dispatches, that it would be difficult to exaggerate the popular excitement and indignation over the recent revelations, but public feeling has not yet expressed itself in spontaneous demonstrations of protest

Fighting the Republic With Song Within a day or two there have been frequent significant street scenes which suggest possible designs to inflame the public mind. The Panama scandal has been set to music, and loud-voiced singers going about in Paris have sung the rather seditions air on boulevards and street corners. Crowds collect instantly and the police disperse them. There is no more effective way to spread revolutionary sentiment in France than by means of popular music. The songs of Panama are simply in catchy strains, and in a week all France will be singing them.

To-day's events have been less sensational than those of the rest of the week, and yet they may involve the fall of the Ribot Cabinet. The Chamber, after a long debate, has refused even to consider in detail the Franco-Swiss commercial treaty, which had been agreed upon by Ribot, Pache and the Swiss Minister, Lardy. In ordinary times the Ministry would instantly resign after such a vote. The present Cabinet may continue in office on account of the greater crisis which still exists. Not the End of the Swiss Trenty.

Minister Loubet said to me to-night, after the Chamber adjourned: "I hope the action on the Swiss treaty is not decisive It can yet be presented to the Senate, and after approval there be again introduced in the Chamber for reconsideration."

The historic session of Parliament for 1892 ended without further excitement this evening. The members will meet, according to law, for the session of 1893, on Januuary 10. No more members were named by the Government for prosecution, the reason being that their special immunity from magisterial summons does not exist during recess. The authorities are not ready to proceed to the actual arrest of any new suspects, and the interval will be used to advance fresh cases through the stage of magisterial investigation. Permission to prosecute will be asked when Parliament reas sembles.

It is said that five of those already named for prosecution will be taken into custody within the next few hours. Andrieux, the great accuser, was not arrested to-day. There is good reason for believing this to be due to the fact that he himself forestalled the action of the Government, in making known its intention.

Andrieux Is Very Clesely Watched He was put under very strict police surveillance, and it is believed he will soon be put under actual arrest. The fact that he is prepared for it, however, robs the measure of half its effectiveness. Such arbitrary action would almost certainly lead to a demonstration of some sort by his Boulangist friends.

It is interesting to revise the list of killed and wounded after the political slaughter of he week. Floquet's downfall is perhaps the most dramatic and most hopeless. Even his friends admit that his own explanations seal his political doom. He cannot hope for re-election to the Presidency of the Chamber.

ment one only has offered an explanation dication. Senator Shevenet, ex-Minister of Justice, has proved, with the assistance of his associate, Dupuv, that his handling of a Panama check was honest.

journal Siecle a check for 25,000 francs for legitimate advertising. He did not even cash it, but turned it over to a deputy of the same office, and it appears on the books

None of the explanations offered by others have proved adequate. In the opinion of men of affairs, the defense of such men as The Worst Is Over, and the guilt is almost a confirmation of the charges. There are, then, 10 of the most prominent men in the Republic whose guilt is almost universally admitted. What will come of the Andrieux charges,

nobody knows. The Panama committee will sit daily during the recess, and the Government, it is said, will not endeavor to restrict its inquiries. The Bourse was steadier to-day in conse-

quence of the vote of confidence in the Gevernment yesterday, and the Credit Foncier advanced five points and in foreign stocks advanced in sympathy with the improved tone of the market, recovering from resterday's fall.

The threat of prosecution is having its effect, and impressions of avowed and open disloyalty to the Republic are very intre-

CARNOT RID OF HIS RIVAL

RUMOR THAT M. DE FREYCINET HAS RESIGNED.

The Army Around Paris Ruled by a Cool Head-Premier Ribot Calmly Dismisses for the Holidays the Hot Headed Parllament-A Fac Simile. [BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

PARIS, Dec. 24.-It is rumored that M. de Freycinet, Minister of War, bas resigned in consequence of the attacks upon him in connection with the Panama scandal. A hurriedly-convoked meeting of the Cabinet was held this evening in a committee room of the Chamber of Deputies at which, it is reported, the resignation was offered and accepted. The rumor is not officially confirmed.

There is considerable exertement in Paris this evening and groups of people stand about the streets discussing the situation and eagerly waiting for the latest developments. The rumor of M. de Freycinet's resignation has caused intense agitation, and everybody is asking what effect such an event, if true, would have upon the army. Universal confidence is expressed among the Bourgeoise in the coolness, good judgment and loyalty of General Saussiere, the Military Governor of Paris, who has stood carefully aloof from existing complications, and would, it is believed, in a critical juncture, undoubtedly stand by the Government.

The proceedings in the Chamber of Deputies showed that the enemies of the Government had not yet given up their determination to break it down through the Panama scandal. A determined effort was made to involve M. de Freycinet in the net which has caught his late col-league, Rouvier, and the uproar in the Chamber was so great as to cause apprehension of personal violence between the excited Deputies. M. Ribot preserved his composure amid the uproar, and closed the session amid great excitement until after the Christmas holidays.

The proceedings of the Panama Canal Investigating Committee were dull to-day.

The evidence showed that M. Boudart had charge of the Panama Canal Company's advertising. The commission will continue in session during the Christmas holidays.

La Concarde publishes to-day a fac simile letter from the ex-manager of the Republique Francelse, asserting that certain members of the political staff of that paper had dethe political staff of that paper had de-manded \$60,000 from the Credit Foncier for to secure the passage of the munic-

Carnot received 40,000 france from the Pan ama Canal Company for charitable purposes

A RED MANIFESTO.

French Anarchist Groups Issue A Blood-Curdling Circular Apropos of the Panama Scandal-All Capitalists and Their Friends Are to Be Slaughtered.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24. - Anarchist groups are much excited over a circular in French, with the Panama scandal as a text, which was printed in London for circulation throughout France, England and America. It is printed on flaming red paper, is headed "Dynamite and Panama," and is signed "Une Groupe Anarchiste."

Among other things it denounces M. Ferrone and others of his ilk who call themselves Socialistic politicians, who, the circular says, were once out-and-out Revolutionists, and who are brave men when far away from danger, but in its presence have shown themselves to be even more abject cowards than the Bourgeosie. It refers to the blowing up of the Paris Inn by the Anarchists some time ago, and points to the fact that De Lesseps and others at the time howled for the blood of the Anarchista, who, the circular claims, are the only peo ple who will raise the human people to the institution of a society without masters. The circular pays its compliments to the newspapers in the following language:

The hireling press did not mention the murders in the army, which forced men to be assassins, nor remind us of the \$5,000 people murdered in the "Bloody Week," nor those who were shot at Fourmies, nor of the people in Tonquin whom they robbed, nor the negroes in Dahomey whom they disembowled in the name of civilization.

If warns them to cease their "jackal-like nowls" over the incident of the inn and prepare for worse reprisals, which the Anarch ists have in store for them. It goes on to denounce Flouquet, Laguerre, Clemenceau, Beral, Cassagnac and others as hypo-erites, and promises that, when all capitalists and other people in France objection able to Anarchists are killed, every one will be happy. "Inoffensiae foreigners' are to be spared in the general slaughter.

MEN BURNED TO SCRAPS.

Two Horrible Fatalities in a Ballroad Wreck New Bradford, Pa. BRADFORD, Dec. 24. - [Special.] - An Erie coal train broke in two parts this morning

while being pulled up a steep grade near Hutchins, this county. The caboose and several cars rushed down the incline, until Flagman J. A. Houseknect stopped them with the brakes. While waiting for the engine to come back after the detached portion of the train, Houseknecht flagged another heavy coal train following along behind. J. O'Connor, a brakeman of the latter train, and Houseknecht were stand ing in front of the engine of the second

Three additional cars that had broken from the first train came down the hill and struck those that had first become detached. This caused a double collision. Many cars were wrecked and piled up against the en-gine of the second train. After the cars came together the wreckage caught fire, and Honseknecht and O'Connor, who were caught in the death-trap, were slowly burned to death before the eyes of their horrified companions. O'Connor was a single man, aged 20. He was burned to a few small scraps. Nothing was left of House-

bail for a hearing. The friends of the men arrested claim that there is a plot behind their arrest which will be exploded when

19 YEARS FOR RAMSEY.

DAVID AND MARTIN EACH GET MUCH SHORTER DOSES.

All Surprised at the Leniency of the Judge -The Cooley Family to Be Sentences This Week-An Attempt to Rescue the Gang Foiled.

Uniontown, Dec. 24.-[Special.]-Jack Ramsey received his doom this afternoon. When he learned that he would have to spend only 19 years out of a possible 42 he seemed perfectly satisfied. Anticipating that the outlaws Ramsey, David and Martin would be sentenced to-day, nearly all the people from the Cooley country came to town. The streets were covered with a

town. The streets were covered with a heterogeneous meb.

When Sheriff McCormick entered the old court room with the bold bandit, there was a general rush to get in. Upon the appearance of Ramsey in court, Judge Ewing called him for sentence. Colonel Searight, who, with Thomas M. Marshall, defended Ramsey, spoke briefly in the prisoner's behalt. He implored the court for mercy. Attorney W. C. McKean, who helped to prosecute Ramsey, and who was a schoolmate of the outlaw, also begged the court for leniency. Ramsey said he was court for leniency. Ramsey said he was innocent of everything charged against him. Judge Ewing was rather severe in his address to the prisoner, and said many things that greatly affected him. After speaking of Ramsey's claim that he was in-nocent he said:

The jury listened to you and your witnesses, and yet, in four successive cases, they came back, not only convicting you of the charges embraced in the indictment, but of perjury besides. They didn't believe a word you said. Your conduct has been such that no one is warranted in placing any reliance in what you say. This shows that you are not only bereft of all honesty, but of all truth, and, apparently, of all moral sense.

During Indee Eming's address Ramsay

During Judge Ewing's address, Ramsey was visibly excited. He could not remain quiet, but moved about as if in agony. His eyes moved rapidly from the Judge to his attorney, and then to his relatives in the court room. Ramsey told some of his friends he had expected to be sent up for 25

David, the confessor, was sentenced to 5½ years in the penitentiary, and Martin was given 3 years. They both seemed sur-prised that the court had been so lenient. The members of the Cooley family will be entenced next week.

An attempt was made last night to rescue Jack Ramsey from the jail. The attempt proved a signal failure, because Night Watchman McKnight was on hand and drove the would-be jail breakers away. Mr. McKnight was slowly passing up and down the main corridor about 10 o'clock last night when he heard someone trying to break in one of the windows on the north side of the jail. He immediately began firing and emptied the seven chambers of his big rerolver before he stopped. He then called for another revolver and gave the alarm. Blood was found on the window, where some culprit outside the jail was probably

STARVED AND HALF-CLOTHED.

Pitiable Cases of Destitution in St. Louis Twenty-Two Children Suffering in a Private Nursery - Scrambling Over Crumbs of Food, ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24 - [Special.] -One of

the most pitiful cases of destitution that has come to light here was reported to the Humane Society to-day. According to the police there are 22 children absolutely starving to death, unprotected by warm clothing and feet exposed to wintry snows. This morning Sarah McGuire, principal of Ashland School, located on Newstead avenue near the Natural Bridge road, called on Captain Campbell, of the Sixth district police station. The principal told Captain Campbell that she had three pupils who were half starved and balf-clothed. They are Ruth and Willie Shepherd and Elme oming from the private nursery kept by Mra. Kelly, at No. 4,256 Ashiand avenue. When they arrived at school the principal said their teeth chattered with cold and they huddled together over a heater for hours at a time. Their faces were pinched with hunger and their little rames shrunken. Often the principal had watched them, when other pupils threw away morsels of food; the three orphans would rush on the particles, scrambling for first selection and then devour the waste food ravenously. Her heart was touched and she often gave the little ones food. They became attached to her and she ques-tioned them and learned that Mrs. Kelly had 22 children in the nursery, Scarcely any clothing was in the place and only three could be fitted out for school. Very little food was given the children and they often cried for bread.

After hearing this story Captain Camp-bell sent officers to investigate. In his re-port to Chief Harrigan, he states that matters are even worse than Mrs. McGuire pictured them. He says the children are in if not given immediate relief. He requests

BLAINE STILL IMPROVING.

His Physicians Won't Hold Out Much

Encouragement, However. WASHINGTON, Dec. 24. - [Special.] - The reezing weather which has been so bitter to persons compelled to go out of doors during the last two or three days has seemed to have a very bracing effect on Mr. Blaine, empered as it is before it reaches his lungs. The sick man showed yet a slight improvement to-day, his food being a little stronger and he taking more of it and assimilating it perfectly, in the judgment of the doctors.

And yet the doctors are afraid to express a hope. They admit that at the present rate of improvement it will be weeks be-fore the patient would be able to bear his weight upon his feet, and they fear that from the nature of the disease a relapse is almost certain to come before enough strength is gained to enable the patient to fight down an attack like that of last Sunday. Yet he has so far recovered beyond their expectations that they are inclined to hope against their professional experience and scientific judgment. The best they will say professionally is that the condition of the ex-Secretary is encouraging.

FROZEN WHILE HELPLESS.

Overtaken by the Cold. MILPORD, MASS., Dec. 24 .- [Special.]-Mrs. Mullett was found to-day, almost dead, under very peculiar conditions. She had a stroke of paralysis, Thursday afternoon, and tell upon a lounge in her sitting room. Speechless and absolutely helpless, yet fully conscious, she awaited assistance She lived alone and was upable to make her condition known. The fires went out. Her dog jumped through the window by the old lady's side and the cold wind blew directly

Then, of the ten accused by the Government one only has offered an explanation which will probably prove a complete vindication. Senator Shevenet, ex-Minister of Justice, has proved, with the assistance of his associate, Dupuy, that his handling of a Panama check was honest.

Some Explanations Good, Some Not.

He received as representative of the mining last Saturday night. They gave but found only her dead body.

small scraps. Nothing was left of House-knecht House-knecht but the charred trunk. House-knecht was aged 28 years and leaves a wife and child.

To-day the grocer called to deliver goods ordered Thursday. He saw the broken window, and surmising that something was wrong he broke in the door and found Mrs. Mullett literally frozen, but not quite dead. She died a few hours later. There was plenty of food and fuel in the house. Mrs. Mullett's only daughter returned to night, to spend Christmas with her mother, but found only her dead body.

NEW SUMMER HOME

PITTSBURG,

Wanted by President-Elect Cleveland in the Washington Suburbs.

TWO FARMS NOW IN VIEW,

Both of Which Have Their Advantages, and Both Valuable.

SENATOR CAMERON'S ROSSIE PARK

May Become the Future llome of the New President, When

ANOTHER LAND BOOM WOULD BE BEGUN

[SPECIAL TRLEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.] WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Real estate pecial attorneys in Washington-and there are many of them-are on the qui vive over the information that President-elect Grover Cleveland is again on the lookout for a suburban residence. He can be accommodated in any locality he prefers, for a Presidental resident is a good advertisement for any

suburban property. The first report was that Law Partner Bissell had, through a representative bought the old Lay farm on the Seventh street road from Don Cameron, for a price somewhere near \$100,000, which would be s little over \$1,000 an acre. The second rumor soon followed, and was to the effect that it was not Don Cameron's place, but ex-Governor Shepherd's Bleak House estate, further up the road. The price was not given, and the story was not so substantially circumstantial as the other.

Then, fluttering all over the country, were little predictions that ex-Marshal Al Wilson was looking for a country place for Mr. Cleveland in Maryland, somewhere along the beautiful rocky stream known as the Northwest branch. As Mr. Wilson was the individual who in 1886 bought Oak View for Mr. Cleveland, his reconnoisances in that region were foundation enough for almost any kind of a story. An Option Taken on Two Farms.

None of the agents or lawyers who have charge of the lands said to have been bought for the next President will say a word in regard to the alleged sale. It is believed that instead of having bought a farm, Mr. Cleveland has taken an option on two places until he and his wife can go and inspect them in person and decide what they want to buy. One thing is certain—Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland will live in the White House just as little as possible during their four years' stay here. They found their life at Oak View so comfortable in the hot summer and fall months at the capital that they would not think of any other place than the country as a home while here. This is rendered

especially recessary with a baby in the Presidental family.

The apparent choice of the President's representatives is the Lay farm. This is now known as Rossie Park, and embraces 91 acres. Don Cameron bought it five years ago and spent several thousand dollars in subdividing, building roads, planting trees, and otherwise improving it. It was put on the market, but at such a high figure that nobody bit at it, and it has remained intact as one holding.

A Fine Mansion on the Place. It is bounded on the north by the Bleak House property, on the east by the street road, on the south by Congressman Cooper's tarm, which he bought last summer for \$10,000, and on the west by the proposed Rock Creek Park. There is a fine large frame mansion on the place, and the greater part of the 91 acres is in grass. Bleak House is inhabited only by the

people who take care of the place during big stone mansion, with its sumptuous furnishings, is never opened except for its reg-ular airing and dusting. If Mr. Cleveland should buy Bleak House be would have probably the finest suburban place south of Philadelphia. Shepherd fitted it up in the sunniest period of his stormy career, and not a dollar was withheld that could in any wise add to its luxuriousness. The region is one of rare natural beauty, and Seventh street road a wide highway well macadamized for eight miles out into the country, is the most important thoroughfare leading out of the city.

Another Chance for Speculation These proposed homes for the Cleveland family are upon the highest land in the District, and in the region where Mr. Cleveland wanted to go in 1886 and from which he was only with great difficulty persuaded to turn his face toward Oak View. Mr. Cleveland found Oak View a good purchase, buying it for \$28,000 and selling it for \$110,000, and either of the farms will prove nearly as good an investment as Oak View. They border on Rock Creek Park, the eastern boundary of which in that neighborhood is Sixteenth street, extended. That street leads directly to the White House and though the most highly White House, and through the most highly

improved part of the city.

With the construction of a fine boulevard along Sixteenth street extended, Mr. Cleveland's farm would be greatly improved and rendered of great eventual value. What is now the back of them would then be the philosophically done in consideration of an of Mr. advance of 100 or 200 per cent of the market ground. value of the tract

Mr. Cleveland's Christmas Day. A telegram from New York says of Mr. Cleveland's Christmas: President-elect Cleveland's residence in West Fifty-first street has been decorated with Christmas greens. Wreaths have been placed at each window, and the dainty little drawing room has been trimmed with mistlete pine boughs and evergreen. It is intended by Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland to observe Sunday as Christmas Day. They will partake of a splendid turkey sent by an admiring Long Island farmer. Already enough toys and other gifts to stock a store have poured in for Baby Ruth. There are enough dolls alone for a dozen children, while of jumping jacks, jacks-in-the-box, baby carriages and other playthings there are almost too many to count. The receipt of presents for kuth kept Butler William Sinclair and a maid busy nearly all yester-day. Unless plans are changed Mrs. Cleve-land will leave for her visit to her mother n Buffalo Wednesday or Thursday next. Her daughter is to accompany her. During her absence the President-elect will make preparations for removing to Lakewood for the winter. It is said by an intimate friend of Mr. Cleveland that he will probably go to his Lakewood cottage before January 10. Mrs. Cleveland will join him there on or about that date. The cottage is almost ready for their reception. The Clevelands will remain at the "Little White House" until they go to Washing-ton in March. Presented With a Gold-Headed Cane

A special from New York to-night says:

Bev. Father Kessel, assistant priest at the Church of the Most Holy Redeemer; Henry W. Wolf, President of the Young Men's Society of that congregation, and State Senator George F. Roesch called on Mr.



Lots of toys for the good boys to scatter on the way.

Santa Cleveland loometh up, with a well-filled sleigh;

and onto the furniture and against the cur-tains and out into the hall, where in an ex-hausted effort to climb the front stairs, it F. Gutman Got It, but He Used the Names of Some Other People.

POLICE ARE LOOKING FOR HIM. Several Thousand Dollars Paid for Bits of

BIG BANKS AND FIRMS SUSTAIN LOSS

Worthless Paper.

Ten days ago F. Gutman came to Pittsourg a stranger. Between Friday night and Saturday morning he left it at least \$2,300 richer, possibly much more. Several banks and business firms are in deep mourning as the result. Mr. Gutman had an accomplice who figured as Mr. Howard, and who is also missing. The police are looking for both, but, judging from the expertness of Messrs. Gutman and Howard in their financial transactions, it will take some clever men to capture them.

J. N. Wolfe & Co., wholesale grocers and soap manufacturers, of 108 Market street, discovered that their name had been forged to two checks vesterday morning when their DENVER, Dec 24.-[Special]-The gold bank book was returned by the Masonic crisse in Southern Utah continues. Re-ports are received of a most encouraging 17, and were for \$355 each. One had been deposited at the Farmers' National Bank, and both were drawn in favor of and indorsed by Gutman & Howard. The checks were written on Wolfe & Co.'s own check blanks, and the forgery was a fairly successful imitation in every respect.

A Polished Confidence Man, It was easy to trace the forgery to its source. On December 16, the day before the forged checks were presented, Mr. Gutman called at Wolfe & Co.'s, stating that he and Mr. Howard had decided to open a big grocery store in Bloomfield, Sixteenth ward, and had been recommended to Wolfe & Co. as reliable dealers, giving the name of a well-known Bloomfield resident as reference. Mr. Gutman had a slight German accent, his manners were polished, business like and reassuring. He gave the firm to understand that they intended to open a big store, had plenty of capital and lots of experience. His conversation sup-

ported the pretense thoroughly. remarked that he had to send a remittance to New York, didn't like to send the cash by mail, and asked if the firm would allow him to use one of their checks if he would pay them the money. It was an old game, but the amount was a small one and the firm, anxious to secure such a desirable customer, willingly allowed the use of their check. That was the last they saw or heard Gutman until the forged checks came to them yesterday morning.

investigation was begun. In a short time several other banks came to the tront, with reports of loses. Then Police Superintend-ent O'Mara was notified and a still hunt for Mr. Gutman was started. Nothing could be found concerning him except that he had a lady acquaintance who was as hard to Worked a Number of People. The investigation showed Gutman had

ecured at least \$2,312. He worked Mr. Simpson, of E. Groetzinger & Co., in the same way he had J. N. Wolfe & Co. Mr. Simpson introduced him at the Farmers' National Bank, Mr. Smith, one of the directors of Fort Pitt Bank, to whom Gutman had applied for a lease on a property at Bloomfield, introduced him at that bank. A check of \$852 was forged December 17, on G. Dree & Co., wholesale grocers on Liberty street, was also forged on the Fort Pitt Bank, Gutman having secured a \$15 check from them as he had from Wolfe & Co. The Dice check was drawn on the Iron City National Bank. On the same day the signature of Curry & Metzgar, wholesale

grocers, was used on a check drawn on the Fort Pitt Bank for \$750 by the same swindler. It was paid either by the First or Second National Bank. All the checks were cleared through the Fort Pitt Bank, except one on the Farmers' National. The Masonic loses \$652, Iron City \$852 and probably \$750 raised on Curry & Metzgar's name. Gutman secured the check blanks of each firm from a litographer to whom he offered an order for some for his supposed firm, securing samples which hap-pened to be those of the victimized firms. Sutman is a small, light built, dark com plexioned man, 33 years of age. Howard is 45, and much of the same description.

PROTESTED EVEN IN DEATH. A Turkey Strews Every Drop of Its Gore

Throughout the House. SARATOGA, Dec. 24. —[Special.]—A young married man, living on a fashionable street He Stabbed a Young Man Against Whon in this village, who wanted to make himself of some use in domestic affairs, bought a CHARLESTON, W. VA., Dec. 24.-Another murder occurred near this city yes-

live turkey for the family Christmas dinner and undertook to chop off its head. As the weather was cold, instead of killing the turkey out of doors he took it into the kitchen. and with block and hatchet heroically de-capitated it. The whole household had been summoned to witness his skill as an execu-No sooner was its head off, than the de-

yielded to the inevitable, turned over on its back and gave a few last protesting kicks and died. But there was not a drop of blood left in that bird's body. It bad bled copiously and had literally painted the lower part of the house and a good portion of the furniture and the carpets and the curtains and the wall paper, a genuine turkey red. That young married man has a long life before him and a loving wife to share it with him, but she has now this terror hanging over him.

bers of the family, out of the kitchen, into the dining room, and upon the table, and into the sitting room, and into the parlor

this terror hanging over him:
"John," she said, "if ever you again do
such a stupid thing as to cut off the head of
a live turkey in the house I'll—I'll look for
a more sensible man, when I marry again."

MUSTN'T MAKE LAMPS.

The Edison Company Ask for an Injunction Upon the Westinghouse

In the United States Circuit Court yesterday a bill was presented asking for an injunction by the Edison Electric Company to restrain the Westinghouse Electric Company from selling or otherwise disposing of electric lamps, which, it is said, are infringements upon the patents of the plaintiff company. Judges Acheson and Buffington fixed next Tuesday at 11 o'clock for a

This suit is based upon a recent decision York, in the suit of the Edison Electric Com pany against the Sawver-Mann Company, asking for an injunction, the Court granting the injunction with the provise that the Edison Company must supply lamps on reasonable terms to all electric plants installed before the decision of the Court below sustaining the patent, and giving the Sawyer-Mann Company leave to apply to the Court to modify the injune apply to the Court so modify the injunc-tion in case of refusal on the part of the Edison Company to comply with the pro-viso in any specific case. It is held that this decision prohibits the Westinghouse Company from the manufacture and sale of incandescent lamps.

The Westinghouse Company last night made this statement: "The application on the part of the Edison Company for an injunction against the Westinghouse Company in Pittsburg is a mere formal proceeding to perfect the decree of the New York Court with respect to the old form of lamp, the manufacture of which has already baen abandoned. The application will, as against the old lamp, but will not affect the new lamp which the Westinghouse Company is now manufacturing.

THE DISPATCH DIRECTORY.

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IFROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT,1 CINCINNATI, Dec. 24.-The Erie Canal project continues to be discussed in this city, and all classes of shippers are manifesting the greatest interest in the enterprise. The indersement of the scheme by the Chamber of Commerce, and the decision of the delegation to the National Board of Trade to support the canal at the meeting of the association in Washington, January 17, has stirred up the river men and those directly concerned to greater activity. Some surprise was expressed here that

the Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce is not represented in the National Board of Trade. The board has asked the Smoky city organization to join several times, but the subject was referred to a committee who for some reason or other reported adversely. The Cincinnati Chamber has been sending delegations to the National Board meetings for the last 12 years, and the members think a great deal of good is accomplished by the association. Pittsburg's Future Representation.

The chances are that Pittsburg will be represented in the future. According to the rules, applications for membership must be filed and subjects to be discussed submitted 40 days before the annual gathering. Colonel Roberts, through Cincinnati, succeeded in having the canal put on the programme a few days before the limit had expired, and then it was too late for the Pittsburg Chamber to be admitted to the board this year.

The publication of a report this morning that an international syndicate nad applied for a Dominion charter to build a 22-foot canal connecting Lake Eric, Montreal and New York is accepted as another evidence that the Yankees have not lost faith in ex-

It was learned that C. V. Dutton, & Pittsburg, is back of the enterprise, and is now in Canada formulating the scheme. Julian Kennedy and G. W. G. Ferris, mechanical engineers of the same city, have given Mr. Dutton some assistance in working out a compressed-air-pneumatic lock that is to be used in this international canal. Here in Cincinnati the people are rapidly beginning to realize what can be done to improve the navigable streams of the interior, and they talk in an enthusiastic way, not only of the Lake Erie project, but of the Chicago and Illinois caual to connect Lake Michigan with the Mississippi at St. Louis, and the enlargement of the old Eric Canal across New York to tidewater.

A Great Outlet to the Ocean. If these various canal enterprises were carried out the Ohio, Mississippi and the lakes would have an outlet to the ocean, The business of the Central United States is so enormous as to guarantee a handsome return on the investment of private capital, but most people would prefer to have the Government build the water ways, and then they would be tree. One big advantage offered by canals is that every man is his own shipper and can move when he feels like it. He doesn't have to wait for cars and is not delayed by wrecks.

One of the nardest workers for the canal in Cincinnati is Commodore F. A. Laidiey, of the Big Sandy Packet Company. He is a delegate to the National Board of Trade, and will see to it that the enterprise is indorsed. In speaking of the project the Com-

"The Kanawha coal men are a little afraid of the Eric Canal. They imagine that it will injure their business. For the same reason they don't want the Ohio river im-proved. If the stream were navigable to Pittsburg Monongahela coal would be accessible at all times to the Cincinnati markets. This would keep prices down. But I need not say that the Cincinnati river interests in general favor the canal and slack water for the Ohio. All the packet companies are red hot for the project, for it would improve their business. Now this summer, for example, our boats were idle six months on account of low water. An Opening for Lots of Idle Capital.

"Think of the men thrown out of employment and the amount of money tied up in river craft that was lying idle during the low-water period! And what grand pros-pects a navigable stream to Pittsburg and a ship canal to the lakes opens up for Cin-cinnati! It is useless to point out the benefits. They are too apparent. It will take money to build the canal, and the Government ought to furnish it. I understand the railroads don't like the scheme, and will fight it, but they can't stand in the way of progress. The people won't have it."
Superintendent Murray said he was for the Eric Canal, and would work to have it indersed by the National Board of Trade. He felt safe in saying that the project was favored by all classes of shippers in the Chamber of Commerce. The people of Cincinnati complain of freight discrimination, and the canal would open up the iron ore interests in the Northwest. The ore could easily be carried by canal and river from the lakes to Cincinnati. Captain S. W. Bard, a Kanawha coal

operator, is one of the most intelligent river men in the city. He was a close friend of Colonel Merrill, and they often met at the noon lunch to talk over the interests of navigation. The Captain is a liberal man and spoke freely. He said: "What I would like to see is the construction of the Lake Erie and Hennepin Canals, and the old Erie Canal across New York made big anough to float vessels to tidewater. This series of waterways would connect the lake and the large rivers in the interior with the c. an, and would make one of the grandest water systems in the wirid. Colonel Marran irequently told me that in Holland